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Pumping Performance

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There are two parts to pump performance:

 **Demand**

 **Today** **Supply**

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Pumping System Curves

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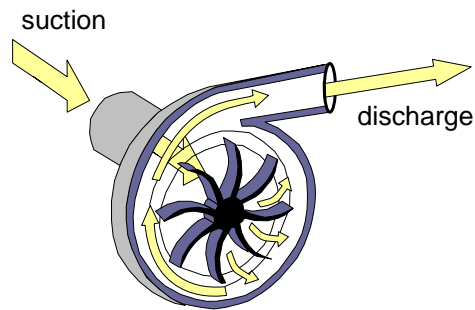
Reference: Morrison, *An Introduction to Fluid Mechanics*, Section 9.2.4.

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Centrifugal Pumps

- Centrifugal force is used to fling fluid from the suction side to the discharge
- Centrifugal pumps put out **neither** constant flow rate **nor** constant pressure
- We must use the mechanical energy balance to figure out how a centrifugal pump will perform in a given situation



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System Curve Assignment (week 8; was due week 10)

How do you choose a centrifugal pump for a given duty?

- Calculate the flow-rate-dependent **demands** of a system = **system head curve** (this assignment)
- Compare the system-head curve (demands) to the available pumping-head curve (**supply**), and choose the right pump

Pumping Head Lab (week 12)

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Assignment 6: Prepare to choose a pump for a system

Was due Week 10

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WEEK 12

Report 6: Characterize a laboratory pump

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Take the role of the manufacturer

To report the performance of a centrifugal pump, we apply the Mechanical Energy Balance around the **pump** to see what we need to measure.

$$\frac{\Delta p}{\rho g} + \frac{\Delta \langle v \rangle^2}{2g\alpha} + \Delta z + \frac{F_{friction}}{g} = \frac{W_{s,on}}{\dot{m}g}$$

This is called the "suction-discharge" system.

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Take the role of the manufacturer

Centrifugal Pumps - MEB written on suction/discharge system

$$\frac{p_d - p_s}{\rho g} + \frac{\langle v \rangle_d^2 - \langle v \rangle_s^2}{2g\alpha} + (z_d - z_s) + \frac{F_{d,s}}{g} = \frac{W_{s,on,d-s}}{\dot{m}g}$$

Losses inside pump reduce the usable work

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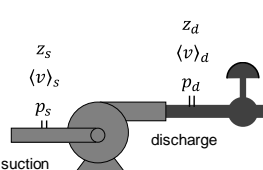
pump efficiency

 $0 \leq \eta \leq 1$

$\eta W_{s,on,d-s} = \text{usable work}$

$\equiv \frac{\eta W_{s,on,d-s}}{\dot{m}g}$

brake horsepower



(In U.O. lab senior year, you will measure a pump efficiency, η)

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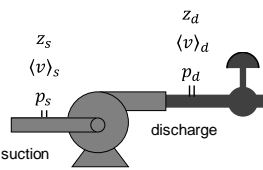
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Centrifugal Pumps - MEB written on suction/discharge system

Measuring these quantities on suction-discharge system

$$\frac{p_d - p_s}{\rho g} + \frac{\langle v \rangle_d^2 - \langle v \rangle_s^2}{2g\alpha} + (z_d - z_s) = \left(\frac{W_{s,on,ds}}{\dot{m}g} - \frac{F_{d,s}}{g} \right)$$

$$= \frac{\eta W_{s,on,ds}}{\dot{m}g}$$



Tells us about the net capability of the pump

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Measuring the Pumping Head curve:

- Write the MEB on the suction-discharge system
- Measure pressures, velocities, elevations at (d) and (s)
- Pump friction is moved to the RHS and combined with the work, leaving H_p as usable (delivered) head; we do not need to measure pump friction (unless measuring efficiency, η)

$$\frac{p_d - p_s}{\rho g} + \frac{\langle v \rangle_d^2 - \langle v \rangle_s^2}{2g\alpha} + (z_d - z_s) = \left(\frac{W_{s,on,ds}}{mg} - \frac{F_{d,s}}{g} \right) \equiv H_p$$

$$H_p \equiv \frac{p_d - p_s}{\rho g} + \frac{\langle v \rangle_d^2 - \langle v \rangle_s^2}{2g\alpha} + (z_d - z_s)$$

Total head = $\left(\frac{\text{energy}}{\text{weight}} \right)$

H_p is a function of flow rate (through the average velocity and $p_d(Q), p_s(Q)$).

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- Operate pump
- Vary flow rate with metering valve on discharge side
- Calculate H_p from measured Q, p_d, p_s, z_d, z_s

$Q(\text{gpm})$	$p_d(\text{psig})$	$p_s(\text{psig})$
1.0	27.1	-1.0
1.2	26.4	-0.5
1.8	25.2	1.1
2.1	24.0	1.2
...

Suction pressures can drop below atmospheric

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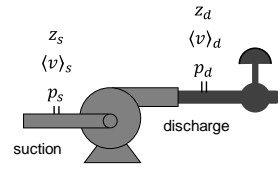
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Choice of Q 's to measure pressures at is up to you; **be sure to address all your objectives**

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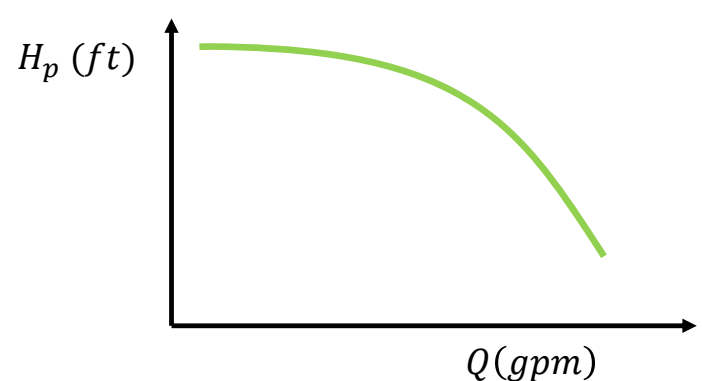
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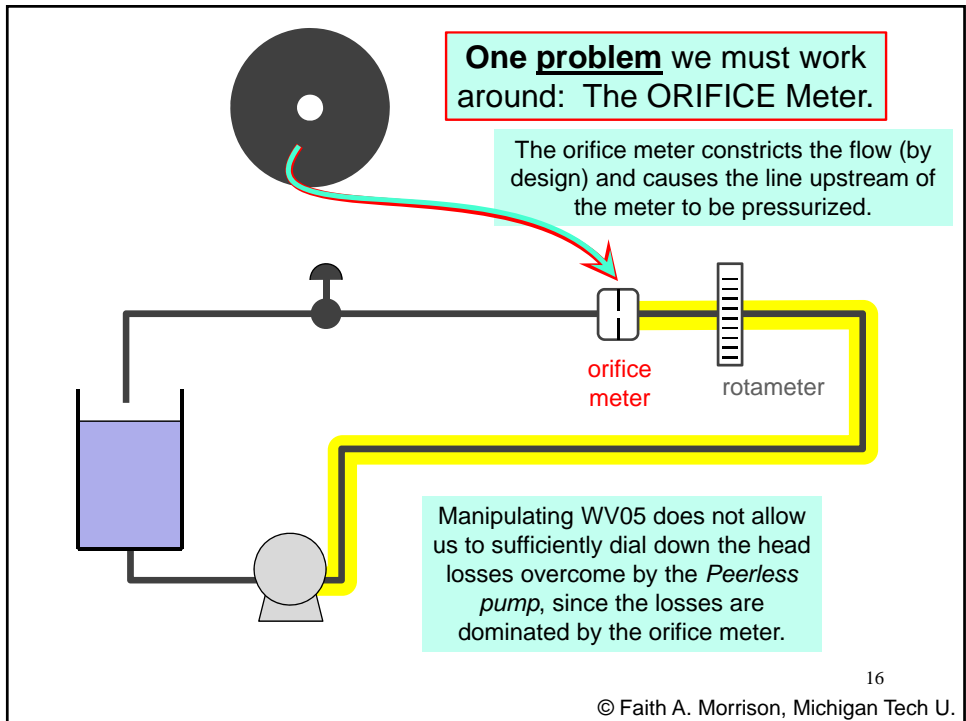
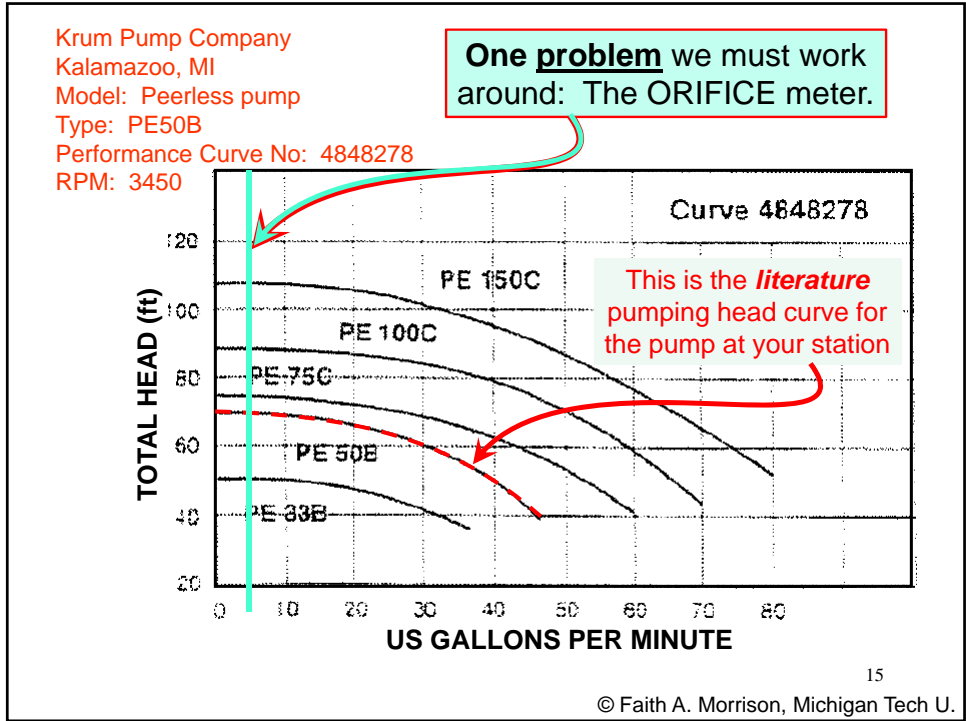
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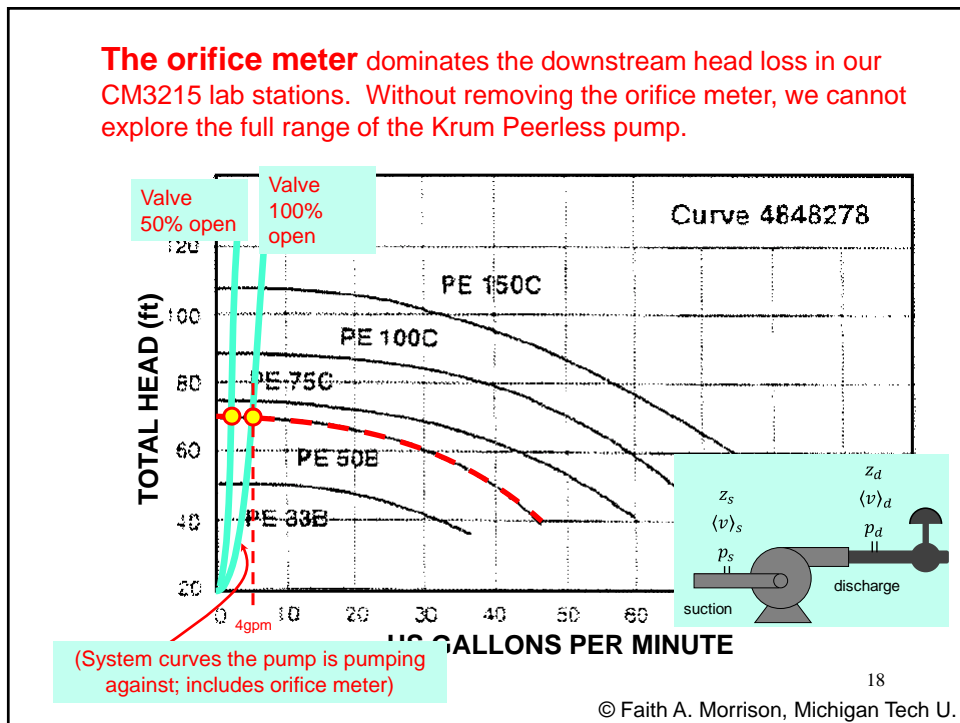
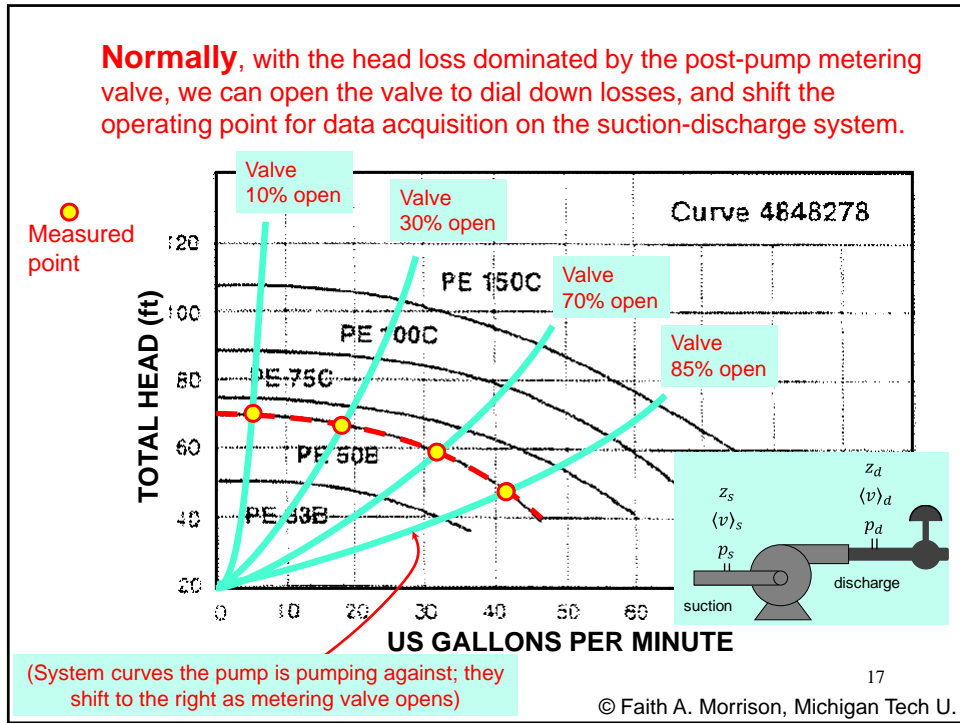
- Plot results as a function of Q

Pumping Head - pump characteristic curve



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Solution: Define everything between the Krum suction and the orifice meter discharge as a new, "Lossy®" pump

Characterize the Lossy® pump instead of the Krum Peerless pump.

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The Solution: The CM3215 "Lossy®" Pump

- Extends from the pump suction to the exit of the orifice meter.

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Report 6: Characterize the Lossy® Pump

- Determine the pump characteristic curve for your lab station's Lossy® pump (suction at Krum Peerless pump suction, discharge at orifice exit).
- Measure the Lossy® pump operating conditions for when the throttling valve WV-05 is 0.5 turn, 1.0 turns, and 2 turns open.
- Predict the operating conditions for the Lossy® pump when it operates against the lab station's system with WV-05 0.5 turn, 1.0 turns, and 2 turns open.
- Quantitatively compare your predictions and observations (use appropriate error analysis).
- Address all objectives assigned.

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CM3215 ChemE Transport Lab:

Analysis of a Centrifugal Pump

Pre-laboratory Assignment

Read through the section on centrifugal pumps in your transport book (Morrison, 2013). Review the handout on pumping head (see web handouts page). Prepare data tables in your laboratory notebook for recording data for this lab per this handout; be sure to include units in your tables. Prepare a safety section in your laboratory notebook detailing all safety issues associated with this laboratory.

Task: Your lab station consists of the Lossy® Pump (everything between the Krum Peerless pump suction and the first pressure-tap downstream of the orifice) and the system (all the tubing and fittings from the first pressure tap downstream of the orifice to the suction side of the Krum Peerless pump, including Tank 2). Calculate the system curves for the system for the

copper tube. The suction of the lossy pump is the suction of the lab centrifugal pump (Krum Peerless pump); the discharge of the Lossy® pump is the first pressure tap after the orifice.

Theory: See lecture.

Experimental Procedure

Measure and report an equation for the pump characteristic curve for the Lossy® pump at your station over the widest range of flow rates possible. Follow a safe procedure that gives you the appropriate data. Include appropriate error analysis. Address other objectives as indicated in the Data Analysis section.

Shut Down Procedure

1. Close needle valve WV-5.
2. Turn off pump P-01.
3. Close valves WV-1, WV-2, and WV-3.
4. Close WV-10 and drain T-02 by opening DV-02.
5. Disconnect measuring devices from

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Prelab assignment

Tasks:

Your lab station consists of the Lossy® Pump (everything between the Krum pump suction and the first pressure-tap downstream of the orifice), and ...

The system (all the tubing and fittings from the first pressure tap downstream of the orifice to the suction side of the Krum Peerless pump, including the flow exit and Tank 2).

Using the system curves for the system for the situations when WV-05 is in the following three states:

- 0.5 turn open (180°), 1 turn open (360°), 2 turns open (fittings and tube lengths given in Assignment 6).

answer this question: What head needs to be supplied by a pump to produce 1 *gpm* for each of these three configurations of the system?

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The CM3215 “Lossy®” Pump

- Extends from the pump suction to the exit of the orifice meter.
- The system on which this pump operates, thus, is the piping and fittings between the exit of the orifice meter and the pump suction

In system head calculations, omit the pump

Pressure tap at exit of orifice meter

Lossy® pump

Pressure tap at pump suction

finish

start

System worked on by Lossy® pump

Do an “Assmt 6” type calculation

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“Predict the operating conditions for the Lossy® pump when it operates against the lab station’s system with WV-05 0.5 turn, 1.0 turns, and 2 turns open.”

Measured “lossy” pump head characteristic curve (fit)

$H(ft)$

System curves for various metering valve positions

Operating point predictions from where system head curves intersect Lossy pump characteristic curve

Measured Lossy® pump head points when operating at specific valve positions

$Q(gpm)$

Does ●, match ●? (consider uncertainty)

How well do we know the system curves?

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